## Air Resources Board



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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: GRANT SOLICITATION FOR THE LOW CARBON TRANSPORATION

AND FUELS INVESTMENTS AND THE AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

PROGRAMS (AQIP) FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2016-17 OFF-ROAD

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) is pleased to announce its Grant Solicitation for the Off-Road Advanced Technology Demonstration Project. The opportunity was approved by the Board as part of the FY 2016-17 Funding Plan for Low Carbon Transportation and Fuels Investments and the Air Quality Improvement Program (AQIP). Up to \$17 million is available for this project, which will provide greenhouse gas (GHG), criteria pollutant, and toxic air contaminant emission reduction benefits to disadvantaged communities. Along with the separate On-Road Advanced Technology Demonstration Project which was released on May 19, 2017, it is part of a \$34 million allocation for advanced technology freight demonstrations.

Eligible projects will be those that demonstrate advanced port equipment, zero-emission cargo handling equipment, zero-emission ground support equipment, and zero-emission freight locomotive equipment. Non-freight categories such as construction equipment, agricultural equipment, and off-road passenger transportation equipment will also be eligible for a smaller portion of the funding, although the focus will be on technologies that are freight enabling.

California-based public agencies such as air districts, ports, and local government entities or agencies as well as California-based non-profit organizations with expertise implementing large scale advanced technology demonstration projects and the requisite knowledge of advanced technology off-road operations may apply.

Applications are due to CARB by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, September 7, 2017.

CARB will hold an Applicant Teleconference to answer questions regarding this Grant Solicitation on Thursday, July 6, 2017. The Applicant Teleconference will provide an opportunity for potential applicants to ask clarifying questions regarding general application requirements.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: http://www.arb.ca.gov.

California Environmental Protection Agency

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Please see details for the Applicant Teleconference below:

Date: Thursday, July 6, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (PST)
Place: California Air Resources Board

9528 Telstar Avenue

El Monte, California 91731

Call-in Number: 888-950-8046

International

Number: 1-210-234-0044

Passcode: 5157729

The questions and answers from the Applicant Teleconference will be posted on the CARB website at: <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/meetings/meetings.htm">https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/meetings/meetings.htm</a>. CARB staff will not be responding to questions regarding this solicitation except at the Applicant Teleconference.

The Grant Solicitation and all associated documents may be found at <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm">https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/solicitations.htm</a>.

For more information on Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects, please visit: <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/demo.htm">https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/demo.htm</a>.

More information about Low Carbon Transportation Investments and AQIP, can be found at <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/aqip.htm">https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/aqip.htm</a>.

#### **Background**

The Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects under the Low Carbon Transportation Investments accelerate the introduction of advanced emission reducing technologies that are on the cusp of commercialization into the California marketplace. A public investment in these technologies helps to achieve significant emission reductions in GHGs, criteria pollutants, and toxic air contaminants. This commitment from the State encourages industry to expeditiously invent, develop, test, and introduce cutting edge emission reducing technologies. Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects also leverages public investment with private capital and ingenuity to reach beyond the current technological forefront and provides GHG, criteria pollutant, and toxic air contaminant emission reduction benefits to specific disadvantaged communities. Eligible disadvantaged communities are identified by the California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen 2.0) which assesses all census tracts in the state to identify areas disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to multiple sources of pollution.

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#### Contact

For questions regarding this funding opportunity or the Applicant Teleconference, please contact Mr. Nathan Dean, Air Pollution Specialist, at (626) 575-6998 or by email at <a href="mailto:nathan.dean@arb.ca.gov">nathan.dean@arb.ca.gov</a>.

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Sincerely,

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Jack Kitowski, Chief Mobile Source Control Division

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